

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Drohmann

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Application No.: 10/509,641

Examiner: POPOVICS

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For: Use of polymers comprising thermoplastic polymers as filtration aids and/or stabilising agent

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.143

Sir:

This is a reply to the restriction requirement mailed September 10, 2008. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including any shortage in Extension of Time fees, to Deposit Account 14.1437. Please credit any excess fees to such account.

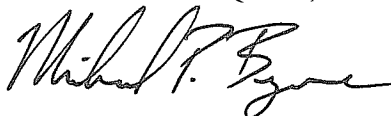
In compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.143, applicants provisionally elect group 1, "Polyolefins" of the "A" species and group 5 "Crosslinked Polyvinyl lactams" of the "B" species. Claims 11 – 27 are readable on the elected species. This provisional election is submitted without traverse.

In order to facilitate the resolution of any issues or questions presented by this paper, the Examiner is welcome to contact the undersigned by phone to further the discussion.

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